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Applicant(s) : Frank Kurfiss et al.

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FASTENING AND ALIGNING A SENSOR

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION/ELECTION REQUIREMENT

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In the Restriction Action mailed on October 5, 2007 (the one-month response date for which is November 5, 2007), the Examiner required restriction/election as follow:

As to claims 18 to 40 of the above-identified application, and as asserted in the Restriction Action, *the Applicant must elect a single invention to which the claims must be restricted from one of the following groups: GROUP I (claims 18-30) and GROUP II (claims 31-40).*

**GROUP I (CLAIMS 18-30) ARE ELECTED WITHOUT TRAVERSE** (even though the restriction may not be agreed with).

As to claims 18 to 30, Species elections were also required as to the following claims a. claims 22 and 23 (species i - v); b. claims 23 and 36 (species vi and vii); c. claim 26 (species viii, ix and x); and d. claims 29 and 30 (species xi and xii).

**THE FOLLOWING SPECIES ARE ELECTED WITHOUT TRAVERSE** (even though the restriction may not be agreed with):

- a. Species iii ("a video sensor) is elected for claims 22 and 23;
- b. Species vi (in a direction of the holding element and the support) is elected for claims 23 and 36;
- c. Species viii (milling) is elected for claim 26; and
- d. Species xii ((a) the holding element includes an accommodation for at least a part of the sensor and (b) the holding element includes a sensor antechamber protected from intrusion of at least one of (a) chips and (b) dirt by a cover element) for claims 29 and 30.

Applicants respectfully request an early and favorable action on the merits.

While no fee is believed to be due, the Commissioner is authorized, as appropriate and/or necessary, to charge any fees (including any Rule 136(a) extension fees) or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 11-0600. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed for this purpose.

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